

1. (currently amended) An electronic model and data storage system for storing, maintaining and retrieving information relating to the contents of an architectural structure, said system comprising:

a computer device comprising:

a processor;

a graphical user interface featuring a model of a structure with links to data regarding the inventory and~~accurately portraying dimensions and features of the structure and the location of personal property in the structure; and~~

a memory device storing executable and associated operational data structures for processing by the processor;

~~the~~ data structures having electronic links integrated into and displayed ~~able as by~~ said graphical user interface to provide selective access to information pertaining to ~~dimensional and material characteristics of said architectural structure and to~~ the structure's ~~its~~ contents by allowing a user to select ~~indicate~~ a location on the electronic model of the structure depicted on the graphical user interface and to link to the corresponding data structures,

warranty and product information including at least one of; the date of installation, term of warranty, coverage and conditions, and maintenance requirements;

~~wherein said information is accessible via a computer network by a user according to access rights corresponding to said user;~~

an event timing program to monitor maintenance intervals and warn an owner of a structure prior to the expiration of the recommended maintenance interval that maintenance is due;

communication means to contact potential contractors after receiving authorization from the structure owner so that the contractor may access the maintenance and access warranty information to formulate and bid and convey that bid back to the owners; and

wherein said information and communication is accessible via a computer network by a user according to access rights corresponding to said user.

2. (currently amended) The system of claim 1, wherein warranty and product information further comprises one of: cleaning methods, installer notes and an inventory~~said electronic model comprises a three dimensional model of said architectural structure.~~

3. (canceled)

4. (cancel) ~~The system of claim 1, wherein said information comprises information relating to insurance coverage on at least one of (i) said structure and (ii) said contents.~~

5. (cancel) ~~The system of claim 1, wherein said information comprises information relating to warranties on at least one of (i) components of said architectural structure and (ii) said contents.~~

6. ~~(cancel) The system of claim 1, wherein said system corresponds to a centralized master database.~~

7. ~~(cancel) The system of claim 1, wherein said at least one electronic links are selectable icons.~~

8. ~~(canceled)~~

9. ~~(canceled)~~

10. ~~(cancel) The system of claim 1, wherein said information is represented as textual information in said electronic model.~~

11. ~~(canceled)~~

12. ~~(canceled)~~

13. ~~(cancel) The system of claim 1, wherein said system is interactive.~~

14. ~~(cancel) The system of claim 1, wherein said system is configured to selectively access outside information from one or more outside information sources.~~

15. ~~(cancel) A method for storing, retrieving and maintaining information related to a
an architectural structure on a data storage system, said method comprising the steps of:~~

~~selectively displaying, to a user, an electronic model that graphically and
accurately depicts dimensional characteristics and contents of said architectural structure;
and~~

~~providing, to said user according to access rights corresponding to said user, at least one
electronic link corresponding to said electronic model to provide selective access to information
pertaining to said dimensional characteristics and to said contents.~~

16. (canceled)

17. ~~(cancel) The method of claim 15, further comprising a step of notifying a user of
accessed information.~~

18. ~~(cancel) The method of claim 15, further comprising carrying over a network by a
carrier signal the data retrieved from the data structure.~~

19. (canceled)

20. (canceled)

21. ~~(cancel) The method of claim 15, wherein said electronic links are icons.~~

22. (cancel) ~~The method of claim 15, further comprising a step of selectively updating said information.~~

23. (canceled)

24. (cancel) ~~The method of claim 15, further comprising a step of selectively accessing information from an outside source.~~

25. (canceled)

26. (canceled)

27. (canceled)

28. (cancel) ~~The computer-readable data transmission signal of claim 25, wherein said signal propagates across a network.~~

29. (currently amended) The computer-readable data transmission signal of claim 128, wherein said network is a global information network.

30. (canceled)

31. (canceled)

32. (canceled)

33. A bid processing system comprising:

a memory storage device storing executable and associated data structures for bid processing;

a data structure containing a listing of contractors;

a data structure containing an inventory of personal property in a structure and related maintenance intervals;

processing means for monitoring maintenance intervals and notifying an owner when a maintenance interval is approaching and requesting authorization to let a maintenance contract out for bid;

communication means for notifying contractors that a bid is let; and

a data repository accessible by contractors for receiving and storing bids submitted by contractors.